

Bailiffs of Towns every Week, or at the least every fifteenth Day, shall make Inquiry of all Persons being lodged in the Suburbs, or in foreign Places of the Towns. (4) And if they do find any that have lodged or received any Strangers or suspicious Person against the Peace, the Bailiffs shall do Right therein. (5) And the King commandeth, that from henceforth all Towns be kept as it hath been used in times passed, that is to wit, from the Day of the Ascension unto the Day of St. Michael, in every City six Men shall keep at every Gate, in every Borough twelve Men, every Town six or four, according to the number of Inhabitants of the Town, and shall watch the Town continually all Night, from the Sun-setting unto the Sunrising. (6) And if any Stranger do pass by them, he shall be arrested until Morning; and if no Suspicion be found, he shall go quit; (7) And if they find Cause of Suspicion, they shall forthwith deliver *him to the Sheriff, and the Sheriff may receive him without Damage, and shall keep him safely, until he be acquitted in due manner. (8) And if they will not obey the Arrest, they shall levy Hue and Cry upon them, and such

les baillifs de viles chescune semeine ou ameins quinzeime facent enquestes de genz herbergez en suburbes ou enforaines chiefs de viles. E sil trovent nul herbergour qe resceive ou herberge en autre manere gent dunt suspectiu seit qil soient gent contre la pes si en facent les baillifs endreiture. Et desoremes est comannde qe veyllies soient fetes issi cum auncienement soleyent estre ceo est asaver del jour de la Ascenciu deque le jour saint Michel en chescun cite sis homes en chescune porte en chescune burgh par xii. homes en chescune vile en terre par vi. homes ou iiij. solom nombre des genz qd abatent e facent la veille continualment tute la nuit del solail rescusse jeques al solail levaunt. E si nul esstraunge passe par eus seit arestu jeques au matin e si nule suspectiu ne seit trove aille quites e si om trove suspectiu seit livere al viscounte maintenant e saunz daunger le receive e sauvement le garde jeques ataunt qe en due manere seit delivre. E si eus ne se **154** soeffrent pas estre aresteuz seit heu e cri leve sur eus e ceus qui